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Dear Elisha,

Nevertire Solar Farm - Modification 4 - to add a Battery Energy Storage System

Thank you for your e-mail dated 15 February 2022 to the Biodiversity, Conservation and Science Directorate (BCS) of the Department of Planning and Environment inviting comments on the biodiversity impact analysis report for a battery storage system to support the Nevertire Solar Farm.

BCS endorses the land category assessment in the biodiversity impact analysis report, and considers that:

1. The biodiversity impact analysis contains adequate information to support the conclusion that the proposed development area is Category 1 – exempt land under the *Local Land Services Act 2013*
2. As the land is Category 1 – exempt land, a biodiversity development assessment report is not required

Further, the tests of significance of impact to threatened species has been carried out appropriately in the context of the proposal.

Based on the information provided BCS concurs that the proposed project modification will not impact on biodiversity values.

If you require any further information regarding this matter, please contact Rowan Murphy, Senior Conservation Planning Officer, via rowan.murphy@environment.nsw.gov.au or 0400 337 662.

Yours sincerely,

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